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expensive, and wasteful—there still re-
mained the fact that there was a spiritual
element about it that could never be sup-
plied by hot pipes. A fire was a companion
preventing loneliness. Even a bachelor
with a fire in his room might feel less a
bachelor. (Laughter.)

This country could never be as good in
respect of health resorts as the Continent,
owing to the presence of the Gulf Stream,
which was responsible for fogs and samples
of climate, but never a climate. The near-
est point where extreme warmth, combined
with dryness, could be found was Egypt.

As regards clothing, Dr. Schofield said
that for the first time in forty years he
could speak in praise of the corset. The
modern corset makers were moulding the
corset to the figure, not cramping the figure
to the corset.

Over two hundred guests were pre-
sent at the French Municipal Hall,
Shanghai, recently, when a ball was
given by the French Volunteer Company.
The function was timed to commence at
nine o'clock, but at that hour the Town
Band, which had been engaged for the
occasion, was not in attendance, and no
one present seemed to know why. After
a quarter of an hour's wait, telephone
messages were despatched in great num-
bers, but no trace could be found of the
missing musicians. At a quarter to ten
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be abandoned, and a piano was then
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10.00 P.M. 'KINSHAN.' 10.00 P.M. 'FATSHAN.'

FRIDAY, 20th DECEMBER.

8.00 A.M. 'FATSHAN.' 8.00 P.M. 'KINSHAN.'

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KWANGTUNG NEWS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

TWO FAMOUS CRIMINALS.

What Wang Mo-nan and his comrade

had been doing is not stated, but perhaps

it will be remembered that no chairbearers

in Heng Shan would consent to bear them

to the launch, and if any were tempted for

the sake of gain, they were intimidated by

their fellows. It now seems that they did

not get through the streets without some

rough usage. At any rate, this is how we

construe the reports that they were badly

beaten; for it was either the mob who

threw them, or the officials, and we

think that it was the infuriated people.

We believe that they were found guilty of

extensively receiving bribes. They have

now been brought to Canton, and have

been submitted to an initial examination,

the result of which is that they have been

loaded with irons, that they may be kept

the more safely; they are being kept for

further trial, and there would seem to be

some apprehension lest they might devise

means of escape. Immense crowds follow-

ed them; when they were taken from the

local prison in Heng Shan, and marched

through the streets to the steam launch,

and apparently it was then, and by these

people, that they were cuffed and hit in

the way described.

A STRANGE STORY.

During the aviation show in Macao

recently there were large crowds of Chinese

who went out to see. Three soldiers from

Tsin Shan went into Macao to buy some-

thing that they needed, and as they were

returning, they stopped near the barrier to

view the airman and his machine. Two

were on ahead, and the third was walking

along alone, and then stood to gaze. This

man is reported as suddenly attacked by

some Portuguese soldiers, and badly

knocked about. He naturally resented

such attentions, and used his own tongue

rather vigorously. For this he was

rewarded by another cuffing; for more

Portuguese came upon the scene, and the

final issue was that the Chinese was used

so badly, that he had to be taken to the

hospital in Macao. When the major who

is in charge of the troops at Tsin Shan

heard of this assault, and the results

thereof, he naturally sent in a protest, and

demanded that the wounded Chinese be

returned to his care. This request,

cording to the paper, the Portuguese

refused to comply with, and so the injured

man is still in the hospital. This is the

Chinese version of the story, and we have

no testimony of what really happened from

any other source. If the case is as here

represented, it is greatly to be regretted.

AN APPEAL TO FEELING.

It appears that those in authority cannot

enjoy the immunity from criticism, that

was once the privilege of the Chinese

mandarin. It is reported that a native

Chinese, named Cheung Chung-ngok, who

is supported by more than six thousand

Chinese in Hongkong, has been telegraphing

his views on things in general and the

sorrow that the people of Kwangtung

suffer in particular, to the President at

Peking, and demanding that something be

immediately done to alter the state of

affairs. It seems that presently, or recent-

ly, there was or is to be a general election

of the seventy-two officials who are to rule

in the several counties of the province.

This opportunity, it is said, will afford

irresponsible and self-seeking men a chance

either to get into office themselves, or to

assist into positions of comparative wealth

their friends, and it will be done in such a

way that sensible and all-meaning men

will be thrust aside and will stand no

chance of being heard. Then further, it is

averred that, in some places at any rate,

information as to the real facts of the

situation are suppressed by the officials

at the telegraph offices, so that those

who would inform those in the high-

est offices what is going on cannot

be heard. Hence, seeing that there is no

means of getting a medium for the forward-

ing of the real facts of life, those who are

responsible for this telegram have been

compelled to come out to Hongkong and so

use the telegraph office here. The tele-

gram ends with an appeal to change the

present modus operandi, and also asks that

a high official be sent at once from Peking

to look into affairs, and so save the lives of

the people. What exactly all this means

it is not easy to know. We have given you

believe the general trend of the telegram,

and certainly



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Hongkong, December 11, 1912. 1549

FOR SALE.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell (for account of the concerned), at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,—

1. Full size Billiard Table with all Accessories, in good condition by Thurston & Co., London.

1. Detroit 4 H.P. Motor, New.

1. Bridgeport 5 H.P. Motor, (Good Condition guaranteed).

1. American Cash Register.

Full particulars from the Undersigned.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, November 14, 1912. 1448

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the lotting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1912, at 8 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND below Kowloon Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

| Particulars of the Lot. | | Boundary Measurements. | | Containing in Acres, Roods, and Perches. | | Approximate Area in Acres. | | Approximate Area in Acres. | |
|-------------------------|--|------------------------|-----|--|-----|----------------------------|--------|----------------------------|--------|
| No. | Locality. | N. | S. | E. | W. | Acres. | Roods. | Acres. | Roods. |
| 1. | Below Kowloon Road, in the Colony of Hongkong. | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 12.000 | 00 | 12.000 | 00 |

1370

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the concerned),

on

FRIDAY,

the 20th December, 1912, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,—

A CONSIGNMENT OF

MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES,

Consisting of—

Billiard Balls, Billiard Cloths, Microscopes, Surgical Instruments, Telescopes, Barometers, Banjos, Mandolins, Clarinets, Cameras, Clocks, Raincoats, Gramophones and Records, Gent's Travelling Bags, etc., etc., etc.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 16, 1912. 1577

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the concerned),

on

FRIDAY,

the 20th December, 1912, commencing at 12 Noon, at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,—

A CONSIGNMENT OF

INDIAN CARPETS

'Various designs, Colours and Sizes.'

On view day before sale.

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HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, December 16, 1912. 1573

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Hongkong, November 19, 1910. 64

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THE REQUIREMENTS OF AIR-CRAFT ENGINES.

The first absolute necessity in an aeroplane engine, says Engineering, is obviously that it should be light enough for its power to permit of the machine flying satisfactorily. Extreme lightness is, however, of less value than formerly, owing to the greater lifting power of the modern aeroplanes; but, on the other hand, economy in fuel is of greater importance, owing to the longer flights now made, and to the weight of fuel which has therefore to be carried. It is of the utmost importance that the consumption of lubricating oil should be small, and that the engine should not require oil of a special quality, not easily obtainable. It is absolutely necessary that the engine should be thoroughly trustworthy for a flight of some hours, and it is very desirable that it should not require to be frequently taken to pieces for cleaning, etc. Low propeller speed considerably reduces the power required. The engine should also be arranged as to be easy to mount, and should not be of excessive length. These requirements, says Engineering, are somewhat conflicting. Thus the speed of rotation suitable for the light engine per brake horse-power is too high for a really efficient propeller. The obvious remedy is to gear down the propeller, as was done in the winning machine at the military competition, and it is a great advantage if the gearing and propeller-mounting is incorporated with the engine, as is done in the Renault engine, in which the propeller is fixed to the crank-shaft. Whatever general design is adopted, success will depend on the careful elimination of unnecessary weight while preserving the necessary strength and rigidity of essential parts. Excessive speed must be avoided, as in order to stand the inertia stresses the engine must be built heavier than where more moderate speed and compression pressure are used. Generally speaking, while every attempt should be made to save weight in the larger items, such as crank-case, etc., it is a great mistake to try and reduce excessively that of small parts, such as valve-gear, whose total weight is small, and the failure of one of which stops the engine. It is also a mistake to make parts, such as the crank-shaft, so light that they spring. It often happens that if working parts are made too light, the engine fails to give its proper power, although no actual breakages may occur.

THE MONGOLIA TROUBLE.

Negotiations with Russia at a Deadlock.

A Peking despatch to the "Chuo" says that the negotiations between Mr. Lu Chong-shang, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the Russian Minister in Peking, concerning the Russo-Mongolian Treaty problem, have come to a deadlock owing to the unyielding attitude of either side. General Moussoff, of the Russian Army, has made his way into Kashgar in command of a troop consisting of one thousand Cossacks. The Magistrate of Hsinching has filed a protest with the Russian Consul, demanding the prompt withdrawal of the troops, but so far in vain.

As a consequence of Outer Mongolia having practically obtained independence, the majority of the Princes of Inner Mongolia appear to have become rather dubious in their attitude toward the Chinese Republican Government. Both Prince Ah and Prince Pinglu are now staying at Kulun and refuse to return to their own provinces, being apparently in secret communication with Prince Wutai and Alalan, who are watching for an opportunity for future activity.

MORE ABOUT THE SOTTO EXTRADITION.

Thomas Carey Welch, assistant executive secretary, who went to Hongkong two weeks ago to represent the Philippine Government in the extradition proceedings against Vicente Sotto, has not yet returned from the China coast city, says the "Cable News American" of December 10.

Mr. Welch's extended stay in Hongkong indicates that the government has not abandoned all hope of bringing Sotto back to the Islands to serve a sentence imposed upon him in the court of first instance of Cebu, although no one connected with the executive bureau is able to confirm the impression.

It is understood that the extradition proceedings instituted against Sotto were brought by the department of state through the United States Consul-General at Hongkong, the local government having no hand in the proceedings. Mr. Welch was sent from here to aid the matter in any possible way, and his failure to return promptly upon the failure of the extradition is taken to mean that another effort will be made to land the wily Vicente.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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- 1 Bottle St. Marceaux Champagne
- 1 Bottle Sparkling Burgundy
- 2 Bottles Claret, La Rose, D Quality
- 1 Bottle Sherry, Superior Pale Dry, D Quality
- 1 Bottle Port, Very Fine Old Tawny, D Quality
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- 1 Bottle Gin
- 1 Bottle Heering's Cherry Brandy

Case No. 3.—\$30

- 3 Bottles St. Marceaux Champagne
- 1 Bottle Sherry, Superior Pale Dry, D Quality
- 2 Bottles Port, Very Fine Old Tawny D Quality
- 1 Bottle Very Finest Old Brown Brandy, E Quality
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IN AND OUT OF LOVE.

If you are a man with friends, you certainly know well the announcement friends insist upon making to one, that they are engaged to be married. Generally, the blow comes by letter and you read: "I know you cannot fail to like her and all you will think is, that she is far too good for me. O my dear fellow. . . . We need not recount his raptures.

And then comes the time when you see the young lady, and find her to be just an ordinary girl, rather pretty perhaps, but with noticeable defects, like other girls. Particularly, you do not like the way she laughs—so important a thing in woman. She laughs rather a lot, and not well. But about this you say nothing. Your simply say: "Dear old chap, she is perfect. I congratulate you. You are a lucky fellow."

And he, poor man, beams all over, and you think yourself justified in assisting in that Great Illusion of being in love and getting married in consequence.

"If you are a woman with friends, you know a similar experience. You are told that "He is such a dear and we are to be married soon"; and you meet him; and find him an inoffensive boy with no particular attractions; and note that he shows a slight tendency to be stout. But all you say is: "My dear, he's awfully nice. But so are you. Kiss me. Good luck. I congratulate you." And she beams all over and asks you to be her bridesmaid, if you happen to be still unmarried.

What is the matter with these people? Why cannot he become aware of that laugh? Doesn't she see that he is rather stout? We excuse them, while they love us excessively by remarking that they're in love.

They marry, and time goes on and, if you succeed in not quarrelling with his wife or her husband, you, the friend of our typical instance, continue to see them and from time to time to hear what they think of one another.

You conclude, in a melancholy unmarried manner, that they have fallen out of love. One is tempted to suppose that it is easier to do this than the other. But you cannot fall out without having first fallen in. The difference is that, once out of love, it is ever so hard to fall into it again; while, once in love, it is incredibly easy to fall out. But was it possible he never noticed that laugh? What miracle was it that concealed that stoutness from her? You think it over and remember some other fair person who laughs beautifully. She is very different! She would never annoy one with her little ways. You describe her lovingly to your friend. He says nothing, but you note a bored scepticism in his eyes. He recognises now that it is his turn to congratulate. You are in love, as he was. How long will it be before you are out of love, like him?—W.M. in "Daily Mirror."

SEARCH FOR HIDDEN TREASURE.

A Bankruptcy Romance.

The Bankruptcy Court is the last place where one would expect to hear of a search for hidden treasure. Yet, at the public examination recently before Mr. Registrar Brougham of Arthur Ormsby a story was unfolded of a treasure of £11,000,000 said to have been buried by the Jesuits in Sacambaya, Bolivia, on their expulsion from Spanish dominions in 1767. The debtor, who was described as of an address in Green-street, Charing Cross, company promoter, returned his liabilities at £559 and his assets at £24.

Examined by Mr. W. P. Bowyer, Official Receiver, the debtor said that for the last ten years he had carried on business as a general agent. It was in September of last year that he became connected with the scheme to search for hidden treasure, the proposition having been brought to him by a gentleman from Bolivia.

The gentleman in question told him that he knew where the treasure was located, and that he wanted to return to Bolivia in order to search for it. The debtor said that he approached certain persons in reference to the project, with a view to the formation of a party to go out to Bolivia, and the matter was then taken out of his hands. He had entered into an agreement with Sir John Campbell, and this he had charged. There was, however, still a balance of £29,000 to come to him provided that Sir John received £40,000 from the treasure.

SLAVES TO TOBACCO.

America's Astonishing Record.

Smoking and drinking habits have established a firm hold upon Americans, according to Mr. R. E. Cahell, the United States Commissioner of Inland Revenue. He estimates that in the three months ended September 30 last the American public

Smoked 3,800,000,000 cigarettes.
Smoked 1,950,000,000 cigars.
Drank 53,150,000 gallons of whisky.
Drank 19,800,000 barrels of beer.

Americans seem to have been afflicted with an unquenchable thirst and a vastly increased hankering for tobacco, for all these figures, says the "New York Telegram," are greatly increased over those of the same period for 1911. In the matter of cigarettes and cigars new high records were established. How the cigarette habit is growing is shown by the fact that over 1,000,000,000 more cigarettes were smoked in those three months than in the corresponding three months of the previous year.

The cigar consumption sets a new record; the increase in whisky consumption is 450,000 gallons, and the increase in beer drinking is 320,000 barrels. Owing to the growing appetite for butter-milk as a summer drink the consumption of beer for the previous year had fallen off considerably. Four hundred thousand pounds more a month is being collected from drinkers and smokers this year than last owing to the increase in drinking and smoking.

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when they refuse to accept Hongkong or any other coins that are not that of their particular province. If an Englishman travels to France, Germany or Italy the coins of his homeland have to be exchanged for those of the country in which he is travelling. Why therefore may not Hongkong currency only circulate in Hongkong, if it were deemed necessary to adopt such a course. To raise opposition in such a matter is childish in the extreme.

We understand that with a view to bringing a more settled state of affairs into being, the Registrar General has had interviews with some leading Chinese business men. We do not know what took place, but we hope that the ultimate result will be that the Chinese will see that it they intend to adopt the cowardly means of boycotting for their imaginary grievances they will be met by an opposition, regrettable perhaps to put into operation, but which will certainly be made efficacious.

MR. BONAR LAW'S SPEECH.

WHILE the summary of Mr Bonar Law's speech at Aston-under-Lyme, telegraphed by Reuters—which will be found in another column of this issue—does not, as a whole, strike us as containing much that is of outstanding importance, the statement made on Tariff Reform is weighty, if, as doubtless it does, representing the views of the Unionist Party. Tariff Reform apparently is still to form an important "plank" in the Unionist's "platform," and to meet the exigencies of the moment the Unionists propose to hold a Conference at which the Colonies are to be represented, and at which the most important point to be discussed regarding fiscal affairs is the question of the advisability or otherwise of imposing a tax on food products. It will prove a momentous decision for the Unionists as it did in 1906.

Mr Bonar Law's reference to the Welsh Disestablishment Bill is interesting and more partisan than pointed. He says that it "is incomprehensible" how anyone can "take funds from a poor Church in the name of religion." That is not the object of the Bill, which of course is to stop further financial State assistance given to a Church that does nothing like represent the views of the majority of the inhabitants of Wales. The Opposition leader's remark on co-operation being "one of the best ways of raising the level of wages" contains an element of fact, but it would not be difficult to point out that there are other more direct ways of reaching such a goal. Mr Bonar Law's statement as to the "early establishment of a real federal system, the Colonies contributing to the defence of the Empire in proportion to their population and sharing in the glory of it" sounds very well; and the hope will be expressed that should the Unionists get into power that they may be able to introduce a measure which will have that object in view as a practical piece of politics.

When a man was charged before Mr Hazland at the Police Court to-day with being in possession of opium he said it belonged to his master. The man's master, arrived in Court later, and his name, too, was ordered to be placed on the charge sheet. After hearing the case, Mr Hazland fined the master \$10 or one month, and discharged the other man.

The November output of the French Mines, Limited, is:—From mine piculs 3,919, from tributaries piculs 24,13, total piculs 4,219.19. Value:—from mine \$278,054.07; from tributaries \$617,922.18, total \$293,976.85. Estimated profit: from mine after payment of all charges, development, capital expenditure, etc., \$150,034; from tributaries \$1,018,300; total \$1,168,334. Production to November 30, piculs 43,103.

The net profit of J. and P. Coats, Limited, for the year ended June 30, amounted to £2,704,072. The directors recommended a bonus of 5 per cent, thus making a total distribution of 35 per cent for the year, the same as for each of the three preceding years. It was proposed to transfer £200,000 to the reserve fund (making it £5,000,000) and £20,440 to Adventure premium account, carrying forward £200,810, as against £240,462.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The 24th (Hawara) Mountain Battery, will proceed to camp at Sun Wai, by route march, on Thursday, January 2nd.

The S.M.S. "Taingtau" and the Japanese warships "Asuna," "Soya" and "Shikunami" left the harbour this morning.

In Mr Hazland's Court at the Magistrate's today a man was fined \$100 or six weeks' imprisonment for being in unlawful possession of opium.

It is stated in a San Francisco despatch to the Osaka Asahi that Dr Sun Yat-sen is about to visit America for the purpose of raising a loan of \$200,000,000.

The well-known Chinaman, Looi Kee, has been found murdered in the jungle near Siputah. He is believed to be the victim of a secret society in Kinta.

The master of a fishing boat was fined \$2 by the Marine Magistrate today for failing to produce his licence when requested to do so by P.C. Evans.

A woman living in Lyndhurst Terrace reported to the police last night that money and silver were to the total value of about \$225 had been stolen from a room in her house.

A Japanese taxi, driving a hired car, knocked down a young Chinaman on the Gopeng road, near Ipoh, recently, and inflicted such injuries that the unfortunate man soon died.

We are sorry to learn, says the "Peking Telegraph," that Mrs. Hartwell, wife of the Rev. Hartwell, was assaulted by robbers on a journey 30 miles off Chefoo.

It is announced in our advertising columns that the adjourned discussion of Mr J. S. Chapman's paper will take place at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders on Friday, 20th instant.

A watchman from the western district has been sent to hospital suffering from injuries caused by a man whom he was attempting to arrest at China Merchants' Wharf. In the scuffle both men fell into the harbour, and the prisoner made his escape.

The "Manchuria Daily News" hears that Mr Harold G. Farley, British Consul at Dairen, is under orders to take the place of Mr E. M. Hobart-Hampden, Japanese Secretary of the Embassy at Tokio, who will leave Tokio for England shortly on about a year's furlough.

The large spinning factory at Changchun, which has been operating now for about 7 years and has been employing 2,000 hands, was burned to the ground on Wednesday last. Several employees perished in the flames.—"Central China Post."

At the Magistrate's to-day thirteen men were brought before Mr Melbourne by Sgt. Adlington and charged with using No. 1 Sai Yuen Lane as an opium den. The first defendant, who was proved to be the keeper, was fined \$100, and the remainder were fined \$2 each, or five days.

Recently four continental Jews were placed on board the steamer Bohemia, bound for Port Said, having been banished from the Straits Settlements. All four have been battling on the wages of women who belong to the White Slave class. If any of these men return to the Straits they will run the risk of penal servitude for life.

There are two regiments in the Serbian army which it is satisfactory to know, states the "Rangoon Gazette," have availed themselves of the opportunity to obliterate the black mark that has stood against them since the night of June 11, 1903. These regiments, the 4th and 7th, surrounded the Konak at Belgrade, whilst their officers, with clubs, were engaged in the regicidal proceedings within.

Foreign residents in North China having recently experienced considerable inconvenience owing to insupportable delays in the arrival of the Trans-Siberian mails, the "Peking Daily News" says, that some time ago the British Legation reported the matter to the Post Office in London, and that every effort is now being made, throughout the route travelled by the mails, to discover where the delay occurs.

Mr Hu Ying, in a telegraphic memorandum to President Yuan Shih-kai from Seoul, states that the rumour current in some quarters in the Republic that Japan intends to remove her Capital to Chosen, with a view to annexation of Manchuria, is entirely unfounded, and that on the contrary the Japanese entertain a very warm, sympathetic sentiment toward the Chinese people, as a glance over the "Judicious" in Japan will easily convince anyone.

Two Chinese were charged before Mr Hazland to-day with being in possession of opium and a compound of opium. In one instance the opium was made up into pills, and in the other the opium was mixed with wine. The first defendant was fined \$25 or one month on the first charge and \$27 or two months on the second charge. The second defendant was fined \$8 or one month on the first charge, and \$21 or one month on the second charge.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

An exchange has been approved between Capt. C. H. Jardine, 3rd Middlesex Regiment, and P. F. Jones, Indian Army.

Station leave has been granted to Staff Nurse Miss M. E. Smith, Q.A.I.M.N.S., from 27th December, 1912, to 9th January, 1913.

Lieutenant-General Kigoishi, Head of the First Division, has been promoted to the rank of Full General and appointed a Military Councillor.

Mr Hu Ying, Chinese Envoy to Japan, arrived at Chemulpo recently. A hearty reception was accorded him by both the Chinese and Japanese residents there.

The wedding has taken place at Penang of Mr T. E. R. Parsons, manager of Gan Kee estate, Seremban, and Miss Mary Loder, of Antigua. The Colonial Chaplain officiated.

Leave of absence, on private affairs, has been granted to Captain H. K. Hughes, and Lieut. J. A. Jervois, 1st Bn. K.O.Y.L.I., from 17th January to 17th October, 1913.

Count Toda, Grand Master of Ceremonies, and other officials of the Household Department sat in conference on Tuesday morning in connection with the preparations for the Coronation Ceremony.

Engineer-Rear-Admiral Charles Lane, C.B., who lately reached the retiring age of 60, was, from November, 1881, to November, 1884, employed at the Hongkong and Whampoa Co.'s Dockyard.

Mr Maurice Randmann, with the members of his new Opera Company, which is coming here early next year, arrived in Bombay on November 22, from London by the P. and O. Arcadia.

Several local residents returned to the Colony to-day by the s.s. "Mishima Maru," including Mr. and Mrs. C. E. H. Beavis, Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Mr. R. Ponsowby. The list will be found on page 10.

Those who remembered the late Lord Peel as he was some ten years ago would have found some difficulty in recognising him in the latter years of his life. The wonderful thicket of thick grey hair which was so characteristic suddenly fell off during a few days' illness, so altering his appearance entirely.

Early next February Prince Arthur of Connaught will leave for Brussels in order to bestow upon King Albert of the Belgians the Order of the Garter. He will likewise convey to his Majesty a letter from King George inviting him to pay a State visit to England next November. This will be the fourth Garter mission that Prince Arthur has headed.

Queen Wilhelmina, of Holland, is the most extravagant dresser among the Queens of Europe, according to a statement published in an Austrian newspaper. She spends \$24,000 gold a year on personal attire. The Queen of Italy comes next with \$16,000, a considerable part of which is expended on lace. Empress Victoria Augusta devotes \$12,500 annually to her toilettes, which are invariably ordered in London or Vienna. The Czarina is the least luxurious of the royal consorts. Having a predilection for black, and a severe style that obviates trimming and accessories, her dress making bills are almost insignificant.

CASE OF ASSAULT.

A Chinese Newspaper's Comments.

At the Magistrate's this afternoon before Mr Melbourne a Chinese was summoned by another Chinese from Saigon, (who spoke French but not Chinese), for assault at a house in Des Vaux Road.

Mr C. Farbrother Mason, of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the complainant, and Mr Sheenton, of Messrs Deacon Looker and Deacon, appeared for the defence.

There was a cross-summons for assault. Mr Mason complained to the Magistrate of a report which had appeared in a Chinese newspaper in Hongkong. The report made a scurrilous statement which he thought amounted to contempt of Court.

On being asked by the Magistrate if he objected, Mr Sheenton said that all he could do was to complain the Chinese paper for having foreshadowed his line of defence in this case. It had nothing to do with him, and his friend knew the proceedings in the Civil Court.

Mr Mason considered that it was not fair comment of the case, and nothing in the report transpired on the last hearing of the case.

Mr Sheenton remarked that the article had no intention to convey a report of the case. It was simply a matter of "We have heard" or "We have been informed that there is a question over a lady." This he would prove as a fact as the case proceeded.

Dr Marriott gave evidence of examination of the complainant on the original summons, and described his injuries, which consisted of a contusion on the head.

"AN IDEAL HUSBAND."

Brilliant Amateur Performances.

Hongkong amateurs have achieved notable successes in the past, but the dramatic company which presented Oscar Wilde's famous play "An Ideal Husband" at the Theatre Royal last night can justly be said to have set up a new standard, which those who follow them will find it very difficult to uphold. To have attempted the production of so great a work as "An Ideal Husband," one of the most brilliant which came from the pen of the celebrated playwright, was an ambitious undertaking, but the optimism of the producer and the talented band of performers whose services he enlisted was fully justified, the performance being an unequalled success.

If Oscar Wilde had never written another play "An Ideal Husband" would have made him famous. For sparkling wit and brilliant paradoxes the dialogue has few equals. "An Ideal Husband" is a play which needs to be followed closely and intelligently, its appeal being to the intellect and not to the senses, and at a time when musical comedy seems to have ousted the legitimate drama it was good to see the appeal which it made to the large audience present.

Briefly summarised, this is the plot: Sir Robert Chiltern, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, has built up a splendid position upon the fruits of a dishonest act. His official position put him in possession of secret information concerning the pending purchase of Suez Canal shares by the British Government, and this he sold to a foreign financier, receiving as the price of his honour a large sum which enabled him to take the first steps in the realisation of his ambition, the desire for power. Chiltern yielded only once to temptation, his subsequent private and political life being beyond reproach. Chiltern marries a woman of high intellectual attainments but little knowledge of the world, a woman who puts moral integrity beyond all else. He has almost forgotten the indiscretion of his youth when it rises against him and threatens at one stroke to blast his political career and alienate the affection of his wife. A letter bearing upon his sale of the State secret has passed from the possession of the financier to his mistress, Mrs. Chilverley, a notoriously unscrupulous schemer who is determined upon Chiltern's ruin. She meets him at a political party at his house and in a dramatic interview announces the price of her silence as Chiltern's word that he will suppress the report of a Commission on a fraudulent canal scheme in which she is interested. Chiltern consents but is ultimately persuaded to retract his promise by his wife, who, while unaware of the exact reason of his change of policy, knows it to be due to the evil influence of Mrs. Chilverley, whom she has recognised as a dishonest school companion. Mrs. Chilverley calls and telling Mrs. Chiltern of the skeleton in her husband's life, succeeds in causing a breach between them. Viscount Goring, Chiltern's greatest friend by a lucky chance is placed in possession of evidence regarding a theft Mrs. Chilverley has committed and with his promise of silence saves Chiltern from exposure. This does not exhaust Mrs. Chilverley's cards, for she endeavours by means of a letter, apparently innocent, but easily liable to misinterpretation, written by Mrs. Chiltern and Goring to cause further harm, but her plot falls flat, and everything ends happily. These are but the main incidents of a plot which, while being intensely dramatic, contains not an "incident" which is not perfectly feasible.

As we have indicated, the histrionic talent displayed was of a high order. The acting of the principals was consistently good, but without being invidious it can be said that the success of the evening was achieved by Mrs. W. G. Worcester, who gave a remarkably fine interpretation of the part of Lady Chiltern. Mrs. Worcester is an amateur actress of great versatility, and her interpretation of the difficult part of Lady Chiltern, a character which calls for exceptionally careful treatment, was exceedingly able. Her acting in the emotional scene in which she discovers the secret of her husband's early life was particularly fine, and in her later scenes she also exhibited considerable talent. Mrs. W. Logan as Mrs. Chilverley, Captain A. Kinsaid-Watson as Viscount Goring and Mr. Walter Seigler as Sir Robert Chiltern shared with her the principal work, and it may justly be said, her success also. Both displayed great skill. Captain Kinsaid-Watson's stage manner is remarkably natural and easy and the audience frequently showed their appreciation of his skill. Mr. Seigler's acting was very forceful, but he sometimes was a little theatrical in his utterances. Mrs. Logan played with great intensity of feeling and won deserved applause. Mr. Mowbray S. Northcote made a delightful Earl of Caversham. His mannerisms were very fresh and humorous. Miss Main as Mabel Chiltern, Goring's lover, was pleasingly natural; and Mr. F. Hunter though she had not much to do, played the part of Lady Markby with distinction. Others in the cast were: Viscount de Nanjac, Attache at the French Embassy in London, Monsieur Brandolo; Mr. Montford; Mr. G. Minkin; Mason; butler to Sir Robert Chiltern; Mr. John Robertson; Phillips, Lord Goring's servant; Mr. M. M. Mase; James, a footman; Mr. C. B. Frost; The Countess of Basildon; Mrs. W. M. Tye; Mrs. Marchmont; Mrs. Lindsey Woods; guests in Act I.—Monsieur Backhouse; Chapman; Evan Jones; Harding; Head; Tollys; Robertson; Schroetter and Young; Messrs. Delaney, Frost, Lindsey Woods, Mase, MacGregor, Mason, Pyne, Rowe and Walker.

The piece was splendidly staged; the scenery, designed by Mr. Walter Seigler and executed by Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Company, who were also responsible for the furnishings, being as good as any ever seen in the Colony. The Societate Philharmonica under the direction of Professor F. Gonzalez played enjoyable music in the intervals. Great credit is due to Mr. John Robertson under whose direction the piece was produced for the success attending his efforts. The play will be repeated on Thursday and Saturday, and the profits will be devoted to local charities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Thursday's Meeting.

The orders of the day for the meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday are as under:

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1845.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to prevent the undue and improper interference with or hampering of lawful business and commercial undertakings.

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide punishment for certain persons found guilty of adultery or of harbouring Chinese Married Women.

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance for effecting the final revision and amendment of the Ordinances of the Colony from 1844 to 1912 inclusive before incorporating them in the New Revised Edition of the Laws of the Colony.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Robberies with Violence.

At the December Criminal Sessions, which opened in the Supreme Court this morning, Tam Sam, a young man, was indicted before the Chief Justice and a jury for the commission of a robbery with another man, not in custody; at No. 19, Queen's Road Central.

The Crown Solicitor, Mr. J. H. Kemp, prosecuted, prisoner being unrepresented. The following jury was sworn: Messrs. R. Henderson, R. L. Atkinson, A. R. Forbes, J. Fasse, D. E. M. de Souza, R. B. Wood, and F. D. Haigh.

The Crown Solicitor, instructing the jury, said gang robbery was regarded as being of a more serious nature than robbery by a single individual. In this case the gang consisted of two men, and the robbery occurred in a house in which robes employed in the Central Market lived. Their rooms on the third floor of the building fronted Queen's Road, but the entrance was from a lane at the back. At 6 p.m. on November 10 the coolies were away but a watchman was in the house. Two men, one of whom was known to the watchman as a man who had slept there, entered the house and after conversing with him tied him up and took away some clothing.

From the evidence given it appeared that defendant was seen leaving the house with a box and was arrested, it being found to contain stolen goods. Prisoner was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment.

Before the same jury one Tong Fuk was charged with participating in an attempted robbery with violence at Mong Lok Tui on November 14. Prisoner pleaded "not guilty to the three counts in the indictment."

Prisoner was identified as one of the robbers by the women of the household and her maid servant, a diminutive girl of thirteen years, and a boy employed on the premises stated that he chased him until he was caught by the police, keeping him in sight all the time.

Prisoner denied his guilt and suggested that the witnesses for the prosecution had conferred together and told a similar story to convict him. He alleged that at the police station he was bitten by a constable to induce him to confess the names of men implicated in the robbery and said that the girl who gave evidence against two other men who were afterwards discharged. They being business men were able to procure witnesses but he was only a poor hawker.

The Crown Solicitor said in answer to his Lordship that it was a fact that two men had been discharged. He alleged that prisoner called two witnesses but they did not assist his case.

The jury found prisoner guilty on the first count charging him with being concerned in the attempted robbery and he was sentenced to six years' imprisonment and fourteen strokes of the cane, his Lordship remarking that there were no extenuating circumstances such as in the last case.

LAUNCH MASTER SUMMONED.

Case Dismissed.

The Marine Magistrate resumed the hearing to-day of the case in which Lo Kwai, master of the steam launch "Wa King," was summoned at the instance of P.C. Joy for carrying 12 passengers in excess of the number allowed by licence.

Mr. Reader Harris, solicitor, appeared for the defendant.

The defendant in the witness box declared that he counted the passengers before leaving the wharf, and there were 92, not including the crew. He was allowed to carry 107.

After other evidence had been called the case was dismissed.

RECOMMENDED EVERYWHERE.

MR. P. A. C. Yip, living at Lialliew, M. Frankfurt District, Orange River Colony, Africa, says: "We can give evidence of the honesty of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it several times for our children and ourselves and have found it excellent. We expect to continue using it and can recommend it to anyone in the world." For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

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THE WAR.

A NAVAL ENGAGEMENT.
Amusing Versions Of The Encounter.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

The Turkish fleet engaged for an hour with a Greek squadron yesterday morning between the Dardanelles and Imbros.

According to the Turkish account several shots struck the cruiser *Georgio Averof*, which silenced her big guns. The Greeks then fled towards the Piræus. The Turks were uninjured.

The Greek account states that the Turks kept in the forts for protection, and finally fled once more to the Dardanelles while the Greeks were cruising outside the whole afternoon. Five Greeks were slightly wounded.

THE PROCHASKA "AFFAIRE."

Charges Unfounded.

A telegram from Vienna states that M. Edl, the Austrian emissary who was despatched by the Austrian Foreign Office to inquire into the Prochaska affair in his report shows that the charges of Prochaska having been kept a prisoner and ill-treated are unfounded, but the attitude of the Serbian military officials towards the Austrian Consul were sometimes "incorrect."

The Serbian Government has been requested to give satisfaction.

The Vienna newspapers express gratification that the Prochaska incident proved far less serious than at first had been imagined. They express confidence that the affair will be satisfactorily settled.

BRITISH ARMY AIRSHIP WRECKED.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

The British Army airship, "Beta," has been wrecked at Farnborough. The engine had given trouble and the machine was blown among the trees.

THE LONDON PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

THE OPENING PROCEEDINGS.
Speech By Sir Edward Grey.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

The peace negotiations were opened at St. James' Palace. The most rigorous precautions had been taken by the police. The Turkish delegates arrived first, followed by the Serbians, Montenegrins, Bulgarians and Greeks. Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, opened the proceedings with a speech. He welcomed the delegates on behalf of the King and the Government, and said His Majesty trusted that they would find the rooms in the Palace placed at their disposal suitable. Sir Edward believed that they would find in this country an atmosphere of impartiality and calm that would be favourable to their work. Sir Edward Grey continued:—

There are difficulties in all negotiations for peace after war. I do not attempt to estimate what these may be in your case, but there can be no nobler task than to overcome these difficulties and to accomplish peace as the result of your own efforts and your own work. In this may you lay foundations on which we trust will be built by true wisdom and statesmanship the prosperity, moral, economic, and national, of your respective countries. Without that statesmanship the gains of war are of little or no worth to future generations. With that statesmanship the losses of war can be repaired and bitterness merged in the realization of the blessings of peace. I say no more except to wish you success in your task and to assure you that you have the goodwill of every one in the object for which you are assembled, and that by accomplishing peace you will secure the respect of the whole of Europe.

The chief delegates cordially acknowledged the sentiments of Sir Edward Grey, who was offered and accepted the honorary presidency of the Conference, and then withdrew.

The delegates discussed the procedure to be followed, and decided that the chair be taken alphabetically according to the states. The Conference then adjourned until Tuesday.

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THE UNIONISTS' POLICY.

OPPOSITION LEADER EXPRESSES THE PARTY'S LATEST VIEWS.

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Mr Bonar Law, speaking at Ashton-under-Lyne, said that though he was not a Churchman he described the Welsh Disestablishment Bill as mean. It was incomprehensible how any one could take funds from a poor church in the name of religion.

Referring to the distribution of wealth, he expressed the belief that the co-operative movement was one of the best ways of raising the level of wages, but he believed a fairer fiscal system would help the workers to obtain better results from their labours.

Proceeding, he said:—If we are entrusted with power we do not intend to impose food duties; we intend to call a conference of the Colonies to consider the whole question of preferential trade. The question of the imposition of food duties does not arise till those negotiations have been completed. If the Colonies do not desire such an arrangement there will be no food duties. If we consider them as nonessential for preference then also they will not be imposed. It is obviously impossible to give details of our intentions till the negotiations are completed. If any readjustment be necessary, I hope it will only touch wheat, but it would be unreasonable to ask the Colonies to meet us if our powers are thus limited.

The reason why we objected to the Referendum was because it would be unsafe to the Colonies if, as the result of the negotiations to be submitted to the Referendum, the Colonies come to the Conference bound and we are free. Mr Bonar Law concluded by urging the early establishment of a real federal system, the Colonies contributing to the defence of the Empire in proportion to population and sharing in the glory of governing it.

"THE TIMES" OPPOSED TO THE PROPOSED CONFERENCE.

The Times strongly dissents from Mr Bonar Law's suggestion for a tariff conference between Great Britain and the Colonies, and declares that it is absolutely impossible. The Unionist leaders must not attempt to shift the onus of food taxation at a conference comprising over-seas Ministers. The Times also states that in view of the rapidly changing conditions, it also deprecates the pledging of Unionists to detailed proposals of any kind; certain of the extreme wisdom of such a course as that of trying to tax food and imports while food prices continue to rise.

EXTENSIVE PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

The conference re-assembled this morning, and the first meeting of the Ambassadors will take place this afternoon. Extensive precautionary measures have been adopted.

AUSTRIAN ARMAMENTS.

LONDON, Dec. 13.

The orders for armaments for Austria still continue to excite apprehension.

BOXING CONTEST IN LONDON.

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LONDON, Dec. 17.

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THE SETTLEMENTS' DREADNOUGHT.

SUPPLEMENTARY TO NAVAL PROGRAMME.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

The Colonial Office has published the text of a despatch from the Governor of the Straits Settlements with reference to the gift of a Dreadnought, which states that there is the strongest feeling on the part of unofficial members of the Council and also the Sultan of Perak that the gift is to be supplementary to the naval programme.

WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT.

AN UNPOPULAR CONCESSION.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

During a debate in the House of Commons on Welsh Disestablishment, Mr McKenna announced a concession in Clause 8 which would give the church £15,000 annually more than it was originally proposed. This invoked an indignant outburst on the part of Welsh Members, nine of whom resolved to abstain from voting.

MORE SUFFRAGETTE FOLLY.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

Suffragettes attacked many pillar boxes in a London suburb yesterday evening.

TYPHO ON WARNING.

The following telegram was received at the American Consulate-General at 11.15, Manila, Dec. 18, 1912.

Cyclone or Typhoon N. of the Palow Islands moving W.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST AN AMERICAN.

Before Mr Hazeland to-day at the Magistrate's Court, an American named Carl Boor Rickards was charged by Police Sgt. Terrett with sending on Dec. 17, a letter demanding money with menaces to one Clio Hales; 2, with living wholly or partly on the proceeds of prostitution between August 19th and December 17th; 3, and with assaulting the complainant, Clio Hales, on December 17th. The defendant pleaded "Not guilty" to all counts, and the case was adjourned until next Tuesday, bail being refused.

A LOAN TRANSACTION.

In the Summary Court this morning before the Puisse Judge a man named Ko Chua-pun sued Chan Yau to recover the sum of \$950 alleged to have been lent under a borrowing note.

Mr. P. W. Goldring appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. W. B. Hind for the defendant.

Plaintiff alleged that on April 4 he was invited to dinner at a Chinese restaurant, and his host on his arrival asked him to take care of \$1,500 which he had drawn from a loan association. Defendant saw the money and asked for a loan to enable him to enter business with a friend. He lent defendant the sum mentioned, and left the house early with the borrowing note produced, signed by defendant. It was not true that he stayed in the house gambling till 5 a.m. and that the note was for money which he won from defendant.

After a hearing lasting the greater part of the morning, his Lordship reserved judgment.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

MR. SOTTO AND THE PHILIPPINES.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Permit me to reply to a comment made by the "China Mail" on my letter which was published in yesterday's issue.

"The China Mail" says that I am making a "quixotic campaign against the Americans in the Philippines." This is a great mistake according to the following reasons:—

In the first place, I cannot understand why it should be called "a quixotic campaign" when it is done in defence of the sacred and inalienable rights of a people aspiring to be free and independent, because they are able and are rightly entitled to a government of their own with neither help nor intervention of other people who, instead of giving us the science of government, teach us how to commit blunders like the following instances:—The act of graft practice. Many officials in the Philippines acquire large tracts of land by swindling the ignorant mountain people. Other officials make money by the means of usury. A Governor General can deport Chinese, at midnight, without due process of law and investigation. More chieftains are appointed Directors of the Bureau of Public Works, although they do not possess the least knowledge of engineering. Men who are not lawyers are made prosecuting attorneys. Judges hand down decisions in utter disregard of the merits of the case but in strict accordance with the instructions of the Governor General. In spite of the separation of the Church and the State and the existence of the civil marriage, divorce laws, which are in vogue in the United States, are rejected by the American Civil Commission, to gratify the whims of the Roman Catholic Church. Laws are disregarded for the sole purpose of favouring the trusts. The importation of Hongkong cattle into the Philippines is prohibited in order to patronize a certain trust that deals in cattle and frozen meat in Australia. Some criminals are pardoned before they are sentenced. Others, before the hearing of the case, Waterbury and other means of torture are resorted to in order to obtain true and false declarations. Policemen are bribed by the people to play illicit games. Judges of the same category revoke each other's decisions. Freedom of the press is restricted by the limitations of an elastic Libel. Money is lavishly squandered in Baguio, the summer capital of the Philippines, and also in pleasure trips on coast-guard steamers. It will require volumes to hold the enumeration of the other Imperialist blunders committed during the past fourteen years of Republican Administration in the Philippines.

In the second place, it is erroneous to assert that my campaign is "against the Americans in the Philippines." It must be borne in mind that there are two kinds of Americans: the Republicans and the Democrats. My campaigns are directed against the Republicans, or the Imperialists, and not against the Democrats. The latter have promised to do us justice, and up to this time, we have found no reason to doubt the sincerity of their intentions. And that is why we believe that in the coming administration of Mr Woodrow Wilson there will be a change of the government personnel and also a change in the policy. And it will be a policy, if party platforms are to be credited, which will lift us to the height of our legitimate aspiration—Independence.

In conclusion, let me say that the Democrats are so much in conformity with my campaigns that the agency of "The Philippine Republic" in U.S.A. is in the hands of the Anti-Imperialist League of Boston; and that not long ago, President-elect Woodrow Wilson, to whom I wrote on the situation and aspirations of my people, answered me through his Secretary, in the following letter:—

WOODROW WILSON, Sea Girt, N. J. Sept. 23, 1912.

"Dear Mr Sotto:—For Governor Wilson, I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 19th. The Governor is constantly on the move, covering important speaking engagements and I know that you will realize how impossible it is for him personally to acknowledge your letter amidst his present work which takes him away from Sea Girt almost constantly. But he has asked me to express to you his sincere appreciation of the information which you have been good enough to call to his attention.

Very truly yours,
(Sgd.) J. P. TULLY,
Secretary to the Governor."

"Mr Vicente Sotto, Hongkong, China. Therefore, The China Mail errs in qualifying my efforts as a "quixotic campaign." I love my country, and I am but fulfilling a civic duty when I defend her sacred rights and interests by the power of the pen.

Truly yours,
VICENTE SOTTO,
Editor, The Philippine Republic.
Hongkong, Dec. 18, 1912.

(Note:—The above letter is inserted chiefly to amuse our American readers, and in no way to give Mr Sotto an opportunity of airing his fanciful grievances. We repeat (and hope that he will take the lesson to heart, and then employ himself more usefully) that his campaign is absolutely and emphatically "quixotic" inasmuch as no good whatever is likely to come from his efforts or the efforts of others opposed to what they may be pleased to consider the United States maladministration. It is amusing to note the sweet simplicity of Mr Sotto's trust in the Democrats! We tell Mr Sotto emphatically

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The following is the team that has been chosen to represent the United Services on the Hongkong Cricket Club Ground on Wednesday and Thursday in next week (Christmas and Boxing Day)—play to commence at noon first day and 10 a.m. second day:—B. Hancock (Capt.) R. N. Anderson, R. E. O. Bird, A. A. Claxton, S. H. Dodwell, A. C. E. Elborough, A. H. Gillingham, H. Hancock, J. W. Stephenson, Jellie, J. S. Lloyd, and T. E. Pearce.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA,
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, VIA HONO-
LULU, JAPAN PORTS AND
MANILA.

THE Steamship
CHIYO MARU.
The above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading, or counter-signatures, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.
Cargo remaining undelivered on WEDNESDAY, 18th Dec., at 5 p.m., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.
Insurance whatever will be

No claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all goods remaining undelivered on MONDAY, 23rd inst., afternoon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chained and otherwise damaged cargo to be left on board or in Godown; otherwise, it will be held on 23rd inst.

All claims must be filed out or before 30th December, otherwise they will not be recognized.

S. MORIMOTO,

Hongkong, December 16, 1912. 1589

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE STEAMSHIP LOFAT
FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, GEAR-
GOW, LIVERPOOL & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Holt's Wharf at Bowdoin, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the first inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 14th inst., or they will not be ad-

continued.

All broken, crated, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.
Agents

Hongkong, December 18, 1912. 1912

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS,
LIMITED.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM EUROPE.
THE S.S. Frobenius having arrived from the above port, Consignees at Cango by sea are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at this port free of warehouse and/or extra handling charges of the Homberg & Rombold Bank of

Goods not cleared by the 15th of December will be subject to a fine of \$5 a ton.

All bridges, culverts and drainage structures will be inspected by the Highway Department. If they will not maintain the standards set by the Department, the owner will be notified and given 15 days to improve them. If they fail to do so, the Department will take action.

No fire insurance companies will be allowed to operate in the State until they are licensed by the Department.

The Department will also be responsible for the construction of the State Highway.

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